



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

Hisashi AMAYA et al.

Art Unit: not yet assigned

Application No.: 10/798,855

Examiner: not yet assigned

Filed: March 12, 2004

Attorney Dkt. No.: 12054-0024

For: MARTENSITIC STAINLESS STEEL

**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

March 30, 2004

Sir:

In addition to the first Preliminary Amendment filed March 12, 2004 and prior to examination on the merits, please further amend the application as set forth below.